UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE DIVISION

KENYUN TYRONE GRAY LA. DOC #386824 CIVIL ACTION NO. 6:15-cv-2587

VS. LA. DOC #386824

SECTION P

JUDGE REBECCA F. DOHERTY

EDDIE SOILEAU, ET AL.

MAGISTRATE WHITEHURST

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Plaintiff Kenyun Tyrone Gray filed a civil rights complaint (42 U.S.C. §1983) on October 26, 2015, while detained at the Caldwell Correctional Center. [Rec. Doc. 1] On March 10, 2016, the undersigned issued an Order directing plaintiff to amend his Complaint. [Rec. Doc. 9] That order was mailed to plaintiff at his last known address and on March 14, 2016, it was returned by the United States Postal Service with the following notations, "Return to Sender, Refused, Unable to Forward." and "Released or Transferred; Return to Sender." [Doc. 10] Plaintiff has not advised the Court of his current whereabouts.

LAW AND ANALYSIS

Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 41(b) permits dismissal of claims "for failure of the plaintiff to prosecute or to comply with ... any order of court..." The district court also has the inherent authority to dismiss an action *sua sponte*, without motion by a defendant. *Link v. Wabash R.R.Co.*, 370 U.S. 626, 630-31, 82 S.Ct. 1386, 1388-89, 8 L.Ed.2d 734 (1962). "The power to invoke this sanction is necessary in order to prevent undue delays in the disposition of pending cases and to avoid congestion in the calendars of the [d]istrict [c]ourts." *McCullough v. Lynaugh*, 835 F.2d 1126, 1127 (5th Cir.1988).

Further, Local Rule (LR) 41.3W provides in part, "The failure of a[]... pro se litigant to keep

the court apprised of an address change may be considered cause for dismissal for failure to

prosecute when a notice is returned to the court for the reason of an incorrect address and no

correction is made to the address for a period of thirty days." More than thirty days have elapsed

since the court's correspondence was returned.

Therefore,

IT IS RECOMMENDED that plaintiff's Civil Rights Complaint be DISMISSED in

accordance with the provisions of FRCP Rule 41(b) and LR41.3W.

Under the provisions of 28 U.S.C. Section 636(b)(1)(C) and Rule 72(b), parties aggrieved

by this recommendation have fourteen (14) business days from service of this report and

recommendation to file specific, written objections with the Clerk of Court. A party may respond

to another party's objections within fourteen (14) days after being served with a copy of any

objections or response to the district judge at the time of filing.

Failure to file written objections to the proposed factual findings and/or the proposed

legal conclusions reflected in this Report and Recommendation within fourteen (14) days

following the date of its service, or within the time frame authorized by Fed.R.Civ.P. 6(b), shall

bar an aggrieved party from attacking either the factual findings or the legal conclusions

accepted by the District Court, except upon grounds of plain error. See, Douglass v. United

Services Automobile Association, 79 F.3d 1415 (5th Cir. 1996).

Signed in Chambers at Lafayette, Louisiana, this 25th day of May, 2016.

CAROL B. WHITEHURST UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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